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Subj: Notice Of Application For An Initial Certificate Of Authorization For Wastewater Certificate

Ref: Island Environmental Utility, Inc., letter dated 16 Aug 02, same subject.

Sir,,

We object to the application for a wastewater certificate.

Our family has owned a beach house on Little Gasparilla Island since 1956. Our property runs from mid island to the gulf. We have used a septic tank at the house since it was built and it has never overflowed, or failed.

We have not seen any studies showing that homes on the island with septic tanks are causing a ground water problem, or that they are failing. The current Charlotte County Building Codes continuously and adequately addresses septic systems on the barrier islands within the county. There is not a need for wastewater treatment either now or in the future.

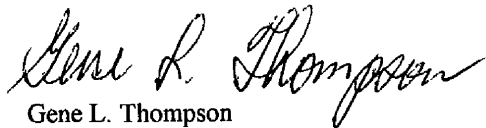
From Don Pedro State Park south is all privately owned, and Little Gasparilla Island does not have any North-South easements. A Pipeline to service the island would have to run North-South through private property. The island is relatively flat and lift stations would have to be installed. A lift station in front of someones home will drastically reduce its beauty and value.

Currently, Little Gasparilla Water Utilities is beginning construction on the expansion of their water lines and are asking for customers. Reports previously were that they had petitioned Charlotte County to force property owners to discontinue using water cisterns and connect to their privately owned system as voluntary subscription was not providing enough income to sustain operations. Their request was denied it was reported.

If a certificate is issued, then Island Environmental Utility, Inc. will petition Charlotte County to force property owners to connect to their system, grant them right-of-way through private property for pipelines with lift stations, and force property owners to financially support their privately owned business.

Our objections include but are not limited to the above in granting a certificate to Island Environmental Utility, Inc.

Sincerely,



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